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SUBJECT: REYNOLDS METALS INTEREST IN QATARI ALUMINUM PLANT

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1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN UNABLE TO FIND ANY ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE OF SPECIFIC ACTIVITY ON THIS PROPOSAL. WITHIN THE LAST TWO YEARS IDEA HAS RESURFACED ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS. OTHER US COMPANIES (KAISER AND ALCOA) STUDIED PROPOSAL PRIOR TO 1974 WHEN EMBASSY WAS OPENED. WE HAVE NO RECORD OF RESULTS OF THESE PRIOR STUDIES. EMBASSY HAS SEEN THIS AND OTHER PROJECTS MOVING FROM ONE BURNER TO ANOTHER FOR SOMETIME SO WE ARE SKEPTICAL ABOUT REVIVAL OF PROJECT NOW. REVIEW REVIVAL AS NOT LIKELY BECAUSE GOQ ALREADY OVER OCCUPIED WITH OTHER PROJECTS AND UNDER FINANCED AS INDICATED BY QATARI SEARCH FOR OUTSIDE FINANCING.

2. ON OTHER HAND QATARI COMPANY'S CONTACTS WITH REYNOLDS MAY INDICATE MOVE BY INSIDERS TO ACHIEVE AGENCY RELATIONSHIP BEFORE ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROJECT. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO SEEK INFORMATION AND KEEP DEPARTMENT INFORMED.

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